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## JULY DONATION UPDATE

The Huntington Beach Neighborhood Watch Program (HBNW) **fiscal year** is from July 1 to June 30 each year. We have estimated we will need approximately \$24,300 this year to cover the various HBNW program expenses which include, but are not limited to, newsletter assembly, distribution costs, returned postage, mailing labels, etc. From the start of our fiscal year to now, we have received **\$4,140.00 in donations and newsletter advertisements- we have \$20,160.00 to go by June 30, 2017.** The HBNW Board thanks you and our advertisers for your support and generous donations. An \$8 donation pays for each subscriber's distribution costs; a \$10 donation helps with these costs and other needed expenses and puts your name in the Newsletter as a contributor; and a \$25 or more donation accomplishes the above, plus you will receive a HBNW sticker and a token of appreciation. Remember, HBNW is a non-profit organization; **donations are tax deductible.**

As a resident of the city, we encourage you to review the HBNW program budget and expenses.

We strongly suggest you sign up to receive your Newsletter either **electronically** or through the mail. **The Newsletter has valuable crime prevention information and crime statistics.** Donations are not necessary to receive the Newsletter, but if you wish to make a donation, please make your check payable to:

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**For more information please call (714) 536-5933.**

## OneOC Presidential Lifetime Achievement Awards

OneOC held its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Presidential Lifetime Achievement Awards & Appreciation Luncheon at the Radisson Hotel Newport Beach on July 21, 2016 for police and other non-profit agencies throughout Orange County.

This event was established to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment of over 4000 + hours of service and/or milestone years of service (10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20+ years), inspire others to follow their passions.

The following HBPD RSVP's achieved their 4000 + hours in 2015 and were featured at the luncheon: Marlys Dinnen and Shirley Salter. Previously recognized for 4000 + hours were: Ruth Brisky, Stanley Helfman, Ken Katz, Beverly Olander, Florence Pach, Barbara Rainey, Jay Waggoner, Jack Warnitz, and Delores Zimmerman. Also being acknowledged for their service milestone years were: Gary Hansen, 10 years, Maryjo Reed, 10 years, Roger Weninger, 10 years, and Shirley Spiegel, 22 years of service. We thank them all for their service and commitment.



The above volunteers from HBPD were in attendance, from left to right: Ken Katz, RSVP, Ruth Brisky, RSVP, Barbara Rainer, RSVP, HBPD Lieutenant Tim Martin, Jack Warnitz, RSVP, Nilda Patiño de Berndt, HBPD Community Relations Specialist, & HBPD Captain Bill Stuart.

# **How to Recognize a Government Imposter**

*By the Federal Trade Commission*

It could be hard to recognize an imposter through the lies they tell. They use a variety of tricks to get your attention, whether it's distracting you with a story about money you won, or creating a fear that you'll be sued or arrested.

Here are two deceptions that they have used successfully to steal money from people:

## **You've "Won" a Lottery or Sweepstakes**

Someone claiming to be a government official calls, telling you that you've won a federally supervised lottery or sweepstakes. They may say they're from "the national consumer protection agency," the non-existent National Sweepstakes Bureau, or even the very real Federal Trade Commission — and it looks like they're calling from a legitimate number. They also might send e-mails, text messages or letters.

They might:

- tell you you'll have to pay taxes or service charges before you can collect your winnings
- ask you to send money to an agent of "Lloyd's of London" or some other well-known insurance company to "insure" delivery of your prize
- ask you to wire money right away, often to a foreign country

The truth is that no government agency or insurance company is involved, and there are no winnings. There never were. Scammers take the money you paid them and disappear.

## **You Owe a Fake Debt**

You might get a call or an official-looking letter that has your correct name, address and Social Security number. Often, fake debt collectors say they're with a law firm or a government agency — for example, the FTC, the IRS or a sheriff's office. Then, they threaten to arrest you or take you to court if you don't pay on a debt you supposedly owe.

The truth: there's no legitimate reason for someone to ask you to wire money or load a rechargeable money card as a way to pay back a debt. If you're unsure whether the threat is legitimate, look up the official number for the government agency, office or employee (yes, even judges) and call to get the real story. Even if it is a real debt, you have rights under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act.

Variations on these scams include people claiming to be with the IRS collecting back taxes, or scammers posing as representatives of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) who target immigration applicants and petitioners.

## **Five Ways to Beat a Government Imposter Scam**

1. Don't wire money
2. Don't pay for a prize
3. Don't give the caller your financial or other personal information
4. Don't trust a name or number
5. Put your number on the National Do Not Call Registry

## **Report the Scam**

If you get a call from a government imposter, file a complaint at [ftc.gov/complaint](https://www.ftc.gov/complaint) Be sure to include:

- date and time of the call
- name of the government agency the imposter used
- what they tell you, including the amount of money and the payment method they ask for
- phone number of the caller; although scammers may use technology to create a fake number or spoof a real one, law enforcement agents may be able to track that number to identify the caller
- any other details from the call

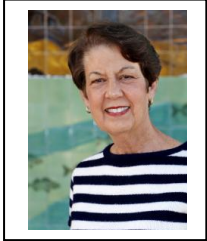


## **OUR HUNTINGTON BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT** **VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR**



*(continued from April 2016)*

The Huntington Beach Police Department has three volunteer groups: the HB Neighborhood Watch program, the RSVP program (Retired Senior Volunteer Program), and the VIPS program (Volunteers in Police Services). Every year we ask each group to select two of its' members that stand out for their excellent work. This month we continue telling you the story of each of the volunteers: Gloria Andrew, Jess Diaz, Marlys Dinnen, Lilly Schoenberger, Mike Seth, and Doreen Weaver.



### **DOREEN WEAVER**

### **“HB VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICES**

### **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR”**

A couple of words used to describe Doreen would be Hard Working and Loyal.

Doreen has been a member of the Volunteer in Police Services program since 2012 and we do not know what we would do without her experience and expertise.

Doreen is very conscientious with the work she does for HBPD. She has an outstanding work ethic and is very responsible regarding the volunteer work she does with lost and found bicycles. Doreen works behind the scenes helping those that have had a stolen bike get it returned. She is extremely dependable, courteous, and fun to work with. She is dedicated in her work with us and other organizations she volunteers for.

Doreen retired from the police department but knew we had a need for assistance so offered to come right back as a member of our Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS) program and dedicates countless hours. She continues today to give back and help her community. The Huntington Beach Police Department is proud to recognize Doreen Weaver as Volunteer of the Year for the Volunteers in Police Services program and thank her for her commitment, dedication and service.

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### **Neighborhood Watch in Action**

**On Hart Circle:** Officers responded to a call regarding a burglary in progress. A neighbor had seen a male subject enter the home of a neighbor through a back window. The neighbor notified the Police Department; units responded arriving quickly on the scene. Ultimately officers caught the burglar exiting the residence. He was found in possession of stolen items from inside the house. He was arrested and booked for burglary.

**On Collie Ln.:** A resident reported a male was inside his garage and backyard and he ran off when the resident exited his home. Responding officers set up a perimeter and a male was detained who was positively identified by the victim and was in possession of the victim's property. The suspect was taken into custody for residential burglary.

We applaud the Good Neighbors for their quick action.

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### **Vacation House Check in Action**

**On Camfield Ln:** The RSVP's (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) were conducting a vacation house check when they found a side garage door open and tools left on the patio. They immediately notified dispatch and officers responded. Officers found an unoccupied stolen vehicle parked in the front of the location. Officers also found that the suspect(s) forced entry into the residence, stole property, and fled in the resident's vehicle that was parked in the garage. The next day, 3 suspects were arrested in the victim's stolen vehicle and the majority of the stolen property was recovered. We applaud the RSVP's and all the officers involved for their quick action.

## RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO

HB police patrol areas are the North and the South. Patrol beats are 2-9. Your RD (Reporting District) is the half-mile square surrounding your home.

To locate your Beat and RD, please check the map on the back inside page. In most cases, your BEAT/RD is identified on your address mailing label.

### RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES

28 reports 06/16/16- 07/15/16

35 reports 05/16/16- 06/15/16

Eleven of the entries were due to OPEN OR UNLOCKED windows or doors. Six of these burglaries were committed during the day, twelve were committed at night, and eleven at an unknown time.

There were six garage entries.

There was one carport entry.

There were three attempted entries.

### VEHICLE BURGLARIES

38 reports 06/16/16- 07/15/16

41 reports 05/16/16- 06/15/16

### GRAND THEFT AUTO

41 reports 06/16/16- 07/15/16

32 reports 05/16/16- 06/15/16

### BEAT 2

**2 Residential Burglaries**

**8 Vehicle Burglaries**

**1 Grand Theft Auto**

### Residential Burglaries

**RD 462-1 RD 476-1**

Streets: Aldea Cir. and Windsong Cir.

In RD 462, Aldea Cir., it appears the suspect(s) used the air conditioning unit and power box to step on and pull themselves onto the sloped second story roof outside the master bedroom. The plantation shutters were closed but the window left open; this appears

to be the point of entry, with the door the likely point of exit.

In RD 476, Windsong Cir., it appears the suspect(s) entered the residence through by punching out the door lock on the garage door and exited through the backyard gate.

There was one garage entry.

### Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 462-5 RD 472-2**

**RD 477-1**

### Grand Theft Auto

**RD 452-1**

### BEAT 3

**4 Residential Burglaries**

**5 Vehicle Burglaries**

**1 Grand Theft Auto**

### Residential Burglaries

**RD 423-1 RD 435-1**

**RD 437-1 RD 446-1**

Streets: Harding Ln., Greenwich Dr., Holburn Dr., and Rainier Cir.

In RD 435, Greenwich Dr., it appears suspect(s) entered the residence by removing a window screen while the home was being fumigated. The suspect(s) then ransacked the house, stole numerous items and fled.

In RD 437, Holburn Dr., the victim stated they had a block party on the street and she was in and out all day; leaving the screen door closed but the front door wide open. At approximately 5:20 p.m. she noticed her purse was missing so called the police to report it.

In RD 446, Rainier Cir., it appears the suspect(s) entered the residence via an unlocked east side yard gate, smashed the rear glass slider, ransacked the entire residence, and fled.

### Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 443-2 RD 444-1**

**RD 446-1 RD 447-1**

### Grand Theft Auto

**RD 427-1**

### BEAT 4

**7 Residential Burglaries**

**1 Vehicle Burglary**

**10 Grand Theft Auto**

### Residential Burglaries

**RD 329-1 RD 349-2**

**RD 359-1 RD 451-2**

**RD 461-1**

Streets: Tanglewood Ln., Goldenwest St., 14<sup>th</sup> St., 11<sup>th</sup> St., and Pacific Coast Hwy.

In RD 349, 14<sup>th</sup> St., it appears suspect(s) entered the residence through an open sliding door which was left open for ventilation purposes.

In RD 359, 11<sup>th</sup> St., it appears the suspect(s) made entry into the garage that was left open.

There were three garage entries.

### Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 195-1**

### Grand Theft Auto

**RD 328-1 RD 339-1**

**RD 359-2 RD 441-1**

**RD 451-5**

In RD 328, vehicle was recovered. In RD 359, both vehicles were recovered.

In RD 451 one vehicle was recovered.

### BEAT 5

**0 Residential Burglaries**

**3 Vehicle Burglaries**

**1 Grand Theft Auto**

### Residential Burglaries

**None Reported**

### Vehicle Burglaries

**RD 293-1 RD 412-1**

**RD 422-1**

### Grand Theft Auto

**RD 293-1**

**RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES, VEHICLE BURGLARIES, GRAND THEFT AUTO****BEAT 6**

**3 Residential Burglaries**  
**5 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**5 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**  
**RD 273-3**

Streets: Valencia Dr. and Stanley Ln.

In RD 273, Stanley Ln., it appears an unknown suspect(s) entered an unlocked garage and broke off the lock from the storage area to gain entry.

In RD 273, Stanley Ln., it appears suspect(s) cut off the lock that secured the garage to gain access. It was undetermined if any items were stolen.

There were two garage entries.

There was one attempted entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 272-2 RD 273-1**  
**RD 282-2**

**Grand Theft Auto**  
**RD 264-1 RD 272-3**  
**RD 283-1**

**BEAT 7**

**6 Residential Burglaries**  
**8 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**9 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**  
**RD 158-1 RD 159-1**  
**RD 168-1 RD 169-2**  
**RD 188-1**

Streets: Normandy Ln., Walton Dr., Warner Ave., Abbott Dr., Cod Cir., and Collie Ln.

In RD 158, Normandy Ln., it appears suspect(s) gained entry to the residence through an open front door. Items were removed and suspect(s) fled.

In RD 168, Warner Ave., it appears suspect(s) gained entry by standing on an air conditioning unit below the bathroom window and forced it

open. Suspect(s) stole various items and fled.

In RD 169, Cod Cir., it appears the suspect(s) gained entry by accessing an unlocked glass patio door. The suspect(s) then removed various items and fled in an unknown direction.

In RD 188, suspect is in custody.

There was one attempted entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 169-1 RD 179-2**  
**RD 252-2 RD 253-3**

**Grand Theft Auto**  
**RD 168-1 RD 169-2**  
**RD 252-2 RD 253-2**  
**RD 261-1 RD 262-1**

In RD 169, one vehicle was recovered and a suspect is in custody.

**BEAT 8**

**3 Residential Burglaries**  
**6 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**8 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**  
**RD 156-1 RD 163-1**  
**RD 166-1**

Streets: Meadowlark Dr., Bluewater Ln., and Old Pirate Dr.

In RD 156, Meadowlark Dr., the resident was awoken by his dog barking. When he went to investigate, he saw a suspect in his garage; when the suspect saw him, he fled out the back gate. The suspect is described as: White, 18 to 22 years old, 6'2" tall, 175 pounds, short brown hair, and clean shaven. He was wearing a maroon T-shirt, flannel shirt tied around his waist, and shorts. He was wearing a red beanie cap initially but it fell off.

In RD 166, Old Pirate Dr., it appears the suspect(s) entered the residence through the bathroom window, gathered the victims' property, and fled the

location through the rear door onto Old Pirate Drive.

There was one carport entry.

There was one attempted entry.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 152-2 RD 154-1**  
**RD 165-2 RD 173-1**

**Grand Theft Auto**  
**RD 153-1 RD 157-1**  
**RD 164-1 RD 167-1**  
**RD 173-2 RD 176-1**  
**RD 187-1**

In RD 157, vehicle was recovered.

In RD 173, one vehicle was recovered.

**BEAT 9**

**3 Residential Burglaries**  
**2 Vehicle Burglaries**  
**6 Grand Theft Auto**

**Residential Burglaries**  
**RD 138-1 RD 139-1**  
**RD 242-1**

Streets: Kimberly Dr., Salisbury Ln., and Huntington Village Ln.

In RD 139, Salisbury Ln., it appears suspect(s) forced open the front door, removed various items, and fled.

**Vehicle Burglaries**  
**RD 242-2**

**Grand Theft Auto**  
**RD 126-1 RD 139-2**  
**RD 148-1 RD 241-1**  
**RD 242-1**

The HYPD Facebook page has information on recent community events, law enforcement outreach, safety education, directed enforcement programs, and more. Check us out on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/HuntingtonBeachPolice](http://www.facebook.com/HuntingtonBeachPolice)



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Kathy Pearce

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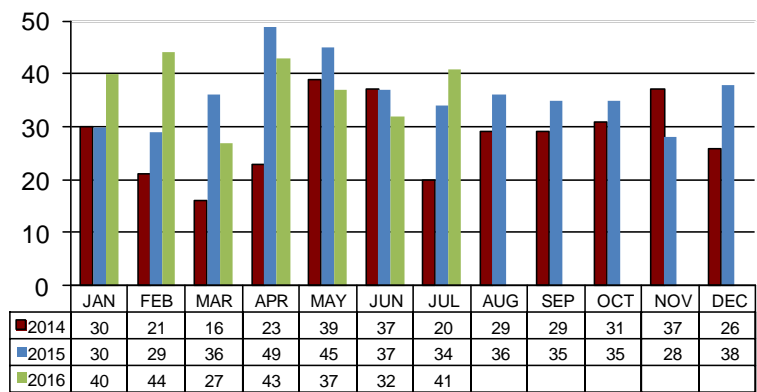
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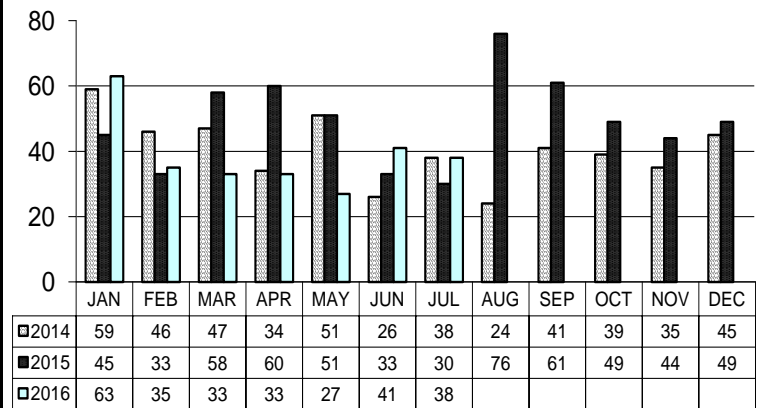
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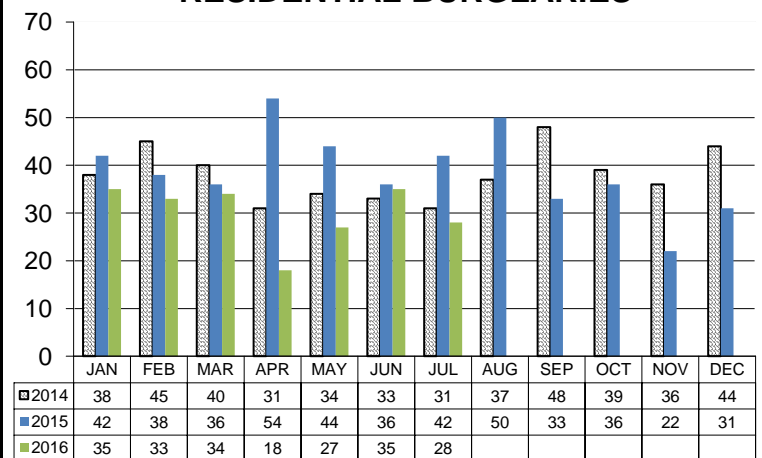
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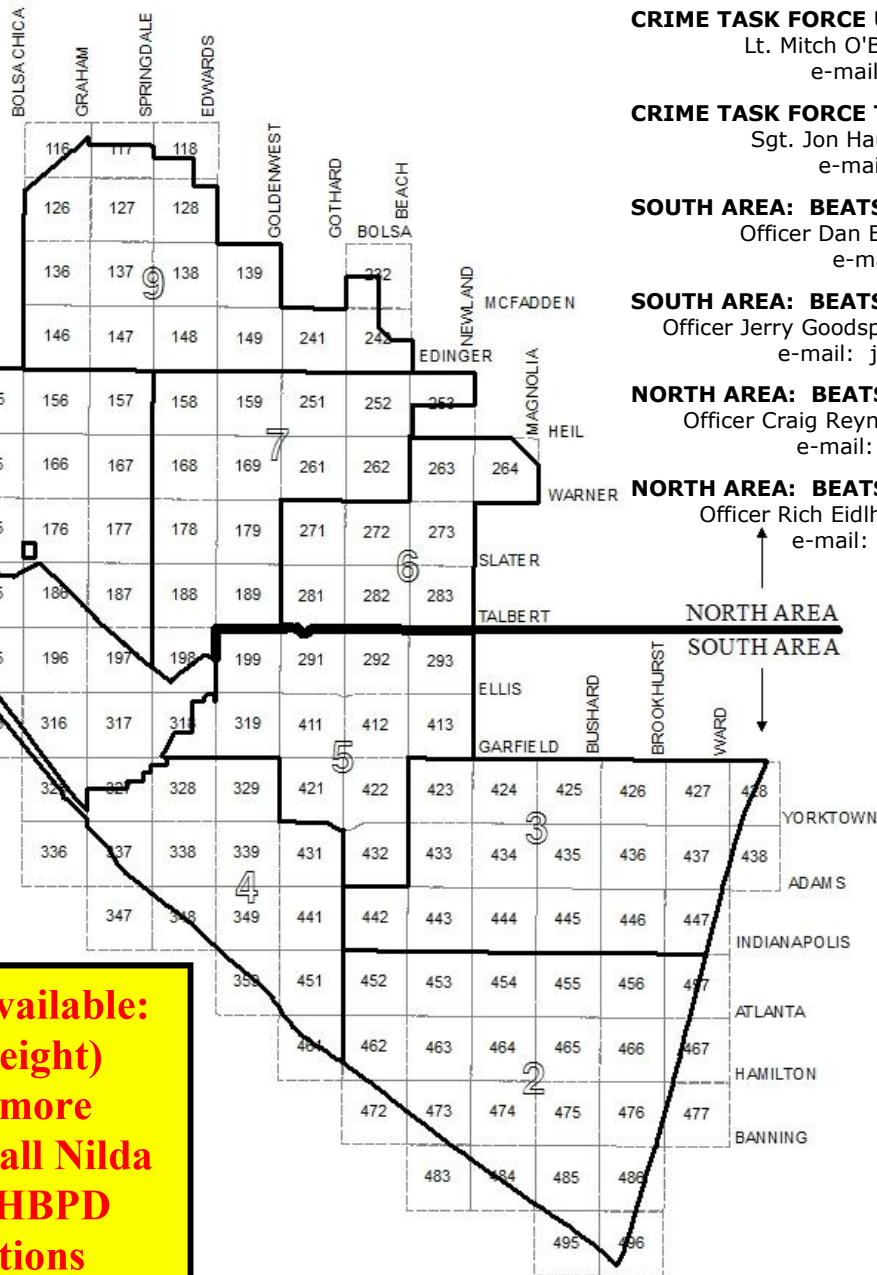
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